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Dear Dr. Austin:

I am pleased to concur on your nominations for the U.S. members of the Advisory/Oversight Committee for the U.S.-Belarus and U.S.-Ukraine Chernobyl Thyroid Studies, which you proposed in your August 28, 1998, letter to me.

I also want to thank you for the invitation to attend the meeting of the National Cancer Advisory Board on September 10, 1998. In my place, I am sending Barrett Fountos, Program Manager, to attend the presentations on the Chernobyl Studies.

I look forward to our continued cooperation on this project.

Sincerely,

Paul J. Seligman, M.D., M.P.H.

Deputy Assistant Secretary

for Health Studies

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Best wishes on your new job. Hope to see you again before you deport!